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SUBJECT: ETHIOPIAN NATIONALIZATION

REFS: STATE 038599, ADDIS 1830

1. ON FEBRUARY 28 CHARGE' PRESENTED TO MOFA MINISTER OF STATE ARAYA A FORMAL NOTE REGARDING NATIONALIZATION OF AMERICAN FIRMS WHICH CITED HICKENLOOPER AND GONZALES ADMENDMENTS AND NEW PROVISION IN TRADE ACT OF 1974. TEXT OF NOTE BEING SUBMITTED BY AIRGRAM.

2. POINTS EMPHASIZED BY THE CHARGE' IN ORAL DISCUSSION WERE
(1) THAT USG MAKES AN APPROACH OF THIS NATURE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ANY COUNTRY WHEN THE NATIONALIZATION OF AMERICAN FIRMS OCCURS;
AND (2) THAT THE LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS CITED IN THE NOTE SHOULD BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY LEST THEY CAUSE FAUTURE DIFFICULTIES IN U-ETHIOPIAN RELATIONS.

3. ARAYA SAID HE HAD JUST RECEIVED JOINT NOTE OF EEC 9 ON NATIONALIZATION (ADDIS 2044) AND THAT BOTH NOTES WILL PROMPTLY BE BROUGHT TO ATTENTION OF DIRG.

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